

Army nominations beginning with Norman F. Allen and ending with Daria P. Wollschlaeger, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006.

Army nominations beginning with Michael R. Aberle and ending with Marc L. Zuffa, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006. (minus 1 nominee: James B. Sayers)

Army nominations beginning with Robin B. Allen and ending with Arthur D. Wellman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006.

Army nominations beginning with John G. Alvarez and ending with Tracy O. Wyatt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006.

Army nominations beginning with Jeffrey S. Ashley and ending with Thomas G. Winthrop, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006.

Army nomination of Shelly M. Taylor to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Omar L. Hamada and ending with Seth W. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2006.

Navy nominations beginning with Kimberly S. Evans and ending with John E. Lee III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 13, 2006.

Navy nomination of David J. Allen to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Harry T. Whelan and ending with William G. Rhea III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 14, 2006.

Navy nominations beginning with Keith T. Adkins and ending with Dorsey Wisotski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2006.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 4075. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to apply the joint return limitation for capital gains exclusion to certain post-marriage sales of principal residences by surviving spouses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMAS:

S. 4076. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide an alternate sulfur dioxide removal measurement for certain coal gasification project goals; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COLEMAN:

S. 4077. A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to initiate a section 301 investigation into abuses by the Australian Wheat Board with respect to the United Nations Oil-for-Food Programme, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 4078. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at

152 North 5th Street in Laramie, Wyoming, as the "Gale W. McGee Post Office" to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. AL-LARD, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 4079. A bill to amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to authorize improvements for the security of dams and other facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 4080. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, with respect to settlement agreements reached with respect to litigation involving certain secondary transmissions of superstations and network stations; read the first time.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 4081. A bill to restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 4082. A bill to make a conforming amendment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to examinations of certain insured depository institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. ALLEN):

S. Res. 622. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of a "National Children and Families Day", as established by the National Children's Museum, on the fourth Saturday of June; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. STEVENS:

S. Res. 623. A resolution honoring the life and achievements of Tom Carr, Congressional Research Service Analyst, and extending the condolences of the Senate on the occasion of his death; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. Con. Res. 122. A concurrent resolution urging the Commandant of the Coast Guard to name an appropriate Coast Guard vessel after Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Nathan Bruckenthal; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 228

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 228, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Men's Health.

S. 408

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 408, a bill to provide for programs and activities with respect to the prevention of underage drinking.

S. 438

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S.

438, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 445

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 445, a resolution to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as added by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, to provide for negotiation of fair prices for Medicare prescription drugs.

S. 828

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) were added as cosponsors of S. 828, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 910

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 910, a bill to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies, lumpectomies, and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations.

S. 1214

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1214, a bill to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices, and contraceptive services under health plans.

S. 1283

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1283, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a program to assist family caregivers in accessing affordable and high-quality respite care, and for other purposes.

S. 1376

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1376, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 1508

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1508, a bill to require Senate candidates to file

designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 1534

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1534, a bill to reduce the risk to the food supply from intentional contamination, and for other purposes.

S. 1687

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1687, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide waivers relating to grants for preventive health measures with respect to breast and cervical cancers.

S. 1862

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1862, a bill to establish a joint energy cooperation program within the Department of Energy to fund eligible ventures between United States and Israeli businesses and academic persons in the national interest, and for other purposes.

S. 1934

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) and the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) were added as cosponsors of S. 1934, a bill to reauthorize the grant program of the Department of Justice for reentry of offenders into the community, to establish a task force on Federal programs and activities relating to the reentry of offenders into the community, and for other purposes.

S. 1948

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1948, a bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue regulations to reduce the incidence of child injury and death occurring inside or outside of passenger motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 2039

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2039, a bill to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders.

S. 2071

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2071, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify congressional intent regarding the counting of residents in the nonhospital setting under the medicare program.

S. 2653

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) were added as cosponsors of S. 2653, a bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to make

efforts to reduce telephone rates for Armed Forces personnel deployed overseas.

S. 3485

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3485, a bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to prohibit the import, export, and sale of goods made with sweatshop labor, and for other purposes.

S. 3500

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3500, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of Medicare beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 3543

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3543, a bill to improve passenger automobile fuel economy and safety, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce dependence on foreign oil, and for other purposes.

S. 3545

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3545, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3554

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3554, a bill to establish an alternative diesel standard, and for other purposes.

S. 3657

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3657, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow bonds guaranteed by the Federal home loan banks to be treated as tax exempt bonds.

S. 3707

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3707, a bill to improve consumer access to passenger vehicle loss data held by insurers.

S. 3771

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3771, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional authorizations of appropriations for the health centers program under section 330 of such Act.

S. 3775

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3775, a bill to amend the

Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to assist countries in sub-Saharan Africa in the effort to achieve internationally recognized goals in the treatment and prevention of HIV/AIDS and other major diseases and the reduction of maternal and child mortality by improving human health care capacity and improving retention of medical health professionals in sub-Saharan Africa, and for other purposes.

S. 3795

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. 3795, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a two-year moratorium on certain Medicare physician payment reductions for imaging services.

S. 3837

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3837, a bill to authorize the establishment of the Henry Kuualoha Giugni Kupuna Memorial Archives at the University of Hawaii.

S. 3873

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3873, a bill to protect private property rights.

S. 3883

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) were added as cosponsors of S. 3883, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an alternate sulfur dioxide removal measurement for advanced coal-based generation technology units under the qualifying advanced coal project credit.

S. 3887

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 3887, a bill to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from using private debt collection companies, and for other purposes.

S. 3910

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3910, a bill to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept the donation of a bust depicting Sojourner Truth and to display the bust in a suitable location in the Capitol.

S. 3912

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3912, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend the exceptions process with respect to caps on payments for therapy services under the Medicare program.

S. 3915

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S.

3915, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to encourage States to provide pregnant women enrolled in the Medicaid program with access to comprehensive tobacco cessation services.

S. 3920

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3920, a bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to assure access to durable medical equipment under the Medicare Program.

S. 3936

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3936, a bill to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy.

S. 3955

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3955, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 3963

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3963, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for improved access to cost-effective, quality physical medicine and rehabilitation services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 4042

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4042, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit disruptions of funerals of members or former members of the Armed Forces.

S. 4060

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 4060, a bill to amend the Military Commissions Act of 2006 to improve and enhance due process and appellate procedures, and for other purposes.

S. 4067

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors of S. 4067, a bill to provide for secondary transmissions of distant network signals for private home viewing by certain satellite carriers.

S. 4069

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 4069, a bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections.

S. CON. RES. 97

At the request of Mr. SALAZAR, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 97, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that it is the goal of the United States that, not later than January 1, 2025, the agricultural, forestry, and working land of the United States should provide from renewable resources not less than 25 percent of the total energy consumed in the United States and continue to produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed, and fiber.

S. RES. 407

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 407, a resolution recognizing the African American Spiritual as a national treasure.

S. RES. 549

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 549, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding modern-day slavery.

S. RES. 621

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 621, a resolution designating the week of February 5 through February 9, 2007, as "National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week".

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. ALLARD, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 4079. A bill to amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to authorize improvements for the security of dams and other facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce the Water and Power Infrastructure Security bill, S. 4079. This legislation will amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to authorize improvement for the security of dams and other facilities.

On September 11, 2001, America's view of national security changed. The threat of terrorist attacks on our own soil became a reality for each and every one of us. This possibility forced Americans to rethink security in many different sectors including the need to secure infrastructure such as our Nation's dams.

As a result of the 9/11 attacks, the Bureau of Reclamation set up site security programs, implemented more complex surveillance systems, erected protection barriers, and devoted substantial funding in the process.

Initially, the Bureau covered these added security costs, recognizing that water and power infrastructure bene-

fits the public generally. This was a pattern established after the Pearl Harbor attacks when the Federal Government covered the added security costs at these public facilities.

Indeed, all Americans benefit from stable power sources and improved flood control. Other universal benefits of public dams include recreation, water supply, and fish and wildlife.

However, in recent years the Bureau has begun to shift these costs onto the energy rate payers probably due to pressure from Office of Management and Budget. Thus, hard working American families, many of whom are family farmers with limited incomes, are forced to shoulder this large financial burden. Shifting the burden of national security to family farmers is patently unfair.

Our bill amends the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act to require to clarify that consumers of public power must contribute to site security at Federal dams. However, the bill would limit their contribution to 15 percent of total security costs. This provides a more equitable division of dam security costs between local and national beneficiaries. The bill also would require the Secretary of the Interior to involve project beneficiaries in the planning and building of site security. Finally, the bill requires the Bureau to provide Congress a five-year plan on dam security and an annual report of its expenditures.

There is no question we need to protect our critical infrastructure. It seems logical that the costs of these national and multi-purpose facilities should not be imposed on a concentrated group of energy consumers. However, customers who depend on the Bureau of Reclamation facilities are willing to pay their fair allotment of the security reflected in this legislation.

I believe this bill strikes a good balance between reasonable costs and a legitimate amount of transparency. Ultimately, its about working together as Americans to protect our critical infrastructure and provide a fair cost distribution system. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 4079

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SITE SECURITY.

The Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 is amended—

(1) in section 2 (43 U.S.C. 506), by inserting "and site security" after "structural safety";

(2) in section 3 (43 U.S.C. 507), by inserting "and site security" after "dam safety"; and

(3) in section 4 (43 U.S.C. 508)—

(A) in subsection (c)—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by inserting after "safety purposes" the following: "and all costs incurred for building